

AMENDED CLAIM SET:

1. (currently amended) A reinforcing non-woven base fabric comprising:
reinforcing fiber yarns ~~that are formed into~~ having a sheet shape ~~by using~~ with a support fibrous member, wherein not less than two layers of the reinforcing non-woven base fabric are laminated with the reinforcing fiber yarns being used as a group of warp yarns and with the support fibrous member being used as a group of weft yarns.

wherein the support fibrous member is formed of multifilament yarn that is made of composite fibers constituted by at least two or more olefin-based polymers having a difference in melting points, wherein, with respect to the polymers having a difference in melting points, the high melting point polymer is a polypropylene polymer and the low melting point polymer is polyethylene or a low melting point polypropylene polymer.

2. (original) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the composite fiber has a core-sheath structure in which the sheath portion is made of a polymer having a lower melting point than that of the core portion.

3. (cancelled).

4. (cancelled).

5. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 2,

wherein the core-sheath structure of the composite fibers having the core-sheath structure has a polypropylene (core portion)/polyethylene (sheath portion) structure or a polypropylene (core portion)/low melting point polypropylene (sheath portion) structure.

6. (cancelled).

7. (currently amended) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, having a three-layer structure in which two upper and lower layers of the groups of warp yarns with a fixed interval are placed, with the group of weft yarns being interpolated therebetween and the lower layer is laminated with an offset of a 1/2-pitch so as to place the yarn of the group of lower-layer yarns between the yarns of the groups of upper-layer yarns.

8. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the support fibrous member has a mesh structure in which multifilament yarns using composite fibers composed of at least two or more polymers having a difference in melting points are used as at least wefts.

9. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the sheet shape is maintained through fusion-bonding.

10. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the reinforcing fiber yarns are fiber extended yarns.

11. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein a plurality of reinforcing fiber yarns are aligned in one direction.

12. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the reinforcing fibers form biaxial reinforcing fiber yarn sheets that are made of a warp sheet in which the reinforcing fiber yarns are aligned in the length direction and a weft sheet in which the reinforcing fiber yarns are aligned in the width direction.

13. (previously presented) The reinforcing non-woven base fabric according to claim 1, wherein the reinforcing fibers form multi-axial reinforcing fiber yarn sheets that are constituted by a yarn sheet made of reinforcing fiber yarns which, supposing that the length direction of the sheet is 0° , are aligned in 0° -direction, a yarn sheet made of reinforcing fiber yarns which are aligned in a $+\alpha^\circ$ -direction as well as in a $-\alpha^\circ$ -direction ($0 < \alpha < 90$) and a yarn sheet made of reinforcing fiber yarns which are aligned in a 0° -direction and/or in a 90° -direction.